



AETC News Clips

Randolph AFB, Texas



News Clips are compiled for the AETC Commander and staff by AETC/PA. Copyright restrictions apply. 01 Nov 05

3 workers die in car accident at Lackland gate

Web Posted: 11/01/2005 12:00 AM CST

Vianna Davila

Express-News Staff Writer

Three women, all food service workers at Lackland AFB, died Monday morning when the car they were in crashed into a barrier at an entrance gate to the base.

The wreck occurred at about 10 a.m. in front of the Lackland Airman's Gate in the 100 block of Valley Hi Road.

The four-door sedan approached the guard shack at the gate at an unknown speed. The vehicle rammed into a barrier in the center turning lane, positioned in front of the checkpoint, said Oscar Balladares, spokesman with the 37th Training Wing's public affairs office at Lackland.

All three women, whose identities were withheld pending notification of next of kin, were taken by EMS to Wilford Hall Medical Center, where they were pronounced dead, Balladares said.

The women were civil service contractors with Allen Tharp & Associates, a company that provides food to the base's enlisted dining facilities, said Gail Boyer, company project manager.

There were no skid marks leading up to the crash site and no clear indication of why the car crashed into the barrier, Balladares said.

The Air Force is investigating the incident but will not handle the autopsies, said Linda Frost, a Lackland media relations specialist.

San Antonio Police Department officers were assisting in handling the crash scene, Balladares said.

There is no indication the crash was an attempt to force entry onto the base, he said.

No increased security alerts were issued as a result of the crash, but the gate was temporarily closed. It reopened after 4 p.m.

Military and contract personnel who work the gate typically stop approaching motorists and ask for valid identification for entry, Balladares said.

San Antonio Express News

PAGE:

POSTED: 01 Nov 05



AETC News Clips

Air Force Times



News Clips are compiled for the AETC Commander and staff by AETC/PA. Copyright restrictions apply. **01 Nov 05**

October 28, 2005

Moseley: Changes afoot for intelligence, strategic communications fields

By Nicole Gaudiano

Times staff writer

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley announced two major organizational changes Thursday that will expand and redefine the service's intelligence and communications fields.

In an interview with Air Force Times, Moseley said he will recommend a lieutenant general to lead the intelligence field, while increasing personnel and standing up separate intelligence directorates within the service's war-fighting headquarters being developed around the world.

The current director of intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance is Maj. Gen. Ronald Sams.

Moseley also announced he stood up a new Office of Strategic Communications, doubling the Pentagon's 56-member public affairs staff with new divisions under the leadership of a two-star general instead of a one-star.

"I think we can do a better job with the talent we've got," Moseley said.

Read more about Moseley's changes in the Nov. 7 issue of Air Force Times, available on newsstands on Monday.



AETC News Clips

Air Force Times



News Clips are compiled for the AETC Commander and staff by AETC/PA. Copyright restrictions apply. **01 Nov 05**

October 31, 2005

Recruit dies at Lackland

By [Rod Hafemeister](#)

Times staff writer

SAN ANTONIO — An Air Force recruit in his first week of Basic Military Training collapsed during a physical training run Saturday and died shortly afterward, according to officials at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Joshua Rolfe collapsed during a 1.5-mile run. He was transported to Wilford Hall Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead at 7:30 a.m.

Rolfe was assigned to the 322nd Training Squadron and had arrived at Lackland Oct. 25 for six weeks of basic training.

Officials said Rolfe is the first trainee death since May 2002 and the 12th death since 1986. More than 500,000 trainees have passed through basic at Lackland during that time.

Critical Incident Stress Management representatives visited and counseled squadron members, officials said.

Rolfe's death is under investigation, officials said in a news release.

Officials have not released Rolfe's age or hometown.



AETC News Clips

Columbus AFB, Miss.



News Clips are compiled for the AETC Commander and staff by AETC/PA. Copyright restrictions apply. **01 Nov 05**

Trust, teamwork are foundations of success, new pilots are told

By Earl Descant
edescant@cdispatch.com

To take them into the Air Force's future of high-tech weaponry and communication, Maj. Gen. Robin "Scottie" Scott told 21 new pilots at Columbus Air Force Base during Friday's graduation service that a pair of Air Force wings symbolize the foundation of all successful organizations.

"Trust is the most important commodity and the foundation of trust is integrity," Scott told the class of 06-01 whose members come from 16 states and two foreign countries.

"There's an old saying that if you go down a country road and you see a turtle sitting on a fence post, there is one thing you can say with certainty, and that's that that turtle did not get there by himself," Scott told the graduates and their families, stressing teamwork as the second foundation of success.

"And you did not get here



Scott

Scott emphasized.

Scott, a 31-year Air Force veteran and Air Force Academy graduate, is the commander of the Air Force operational test and evaluation center which is responsible for testing Air Force weapons and related systems, ranging from aircraft and bombs to radio communications technology.

With modern warfare taking place largely in urban areas, the Air Force's new pilots are stepping into a "bond of brothers in the profession of arms," focused on precision, said Scott, especially in terms of weapons systems.

"With small diameter bombs

today by yourself. Never forget, you don't fly solo, even if you're the only one in the cockpit. There are a lot of people who helped to get you there,"

we want to get into our target and minimize damage, and this is especially important when thinking about urban situations," said Scott in comments after the graduation.

The general also praised advances in communication systems, which provide everyone from soldiers in the field to commanders with the same information.

"These advancements in communications are some of the biggest changes we're seeing and this is going to prove very important as we move forward," said Scott.

Scott also took a moment to praise CAFB.

"This is not the same base I remember," said Scott, who visited the base while doing his student pilot training at Craig Air Force Base in Alabama.

"This is one of the premier bases to take us into the 21st century," Scott added. "Col. Wilson and his team should be very proud."

The Commercial Dispatch

PAGE: 9A

ISSUE DATE: 01 Nov 05



AETC News Clips

Sheppard AFB, Texas



News Clips are compiled for the AETC Commander and staff by AETC/PA. Copyright restrictions apply.

01 Nov 05

Our Opinions: Green power

Congratulations to Air Force for leading way in renewable sources

October 31, 2005

Military installations must suck in mammoth amounts of power from various sources to operate dorms, office buildings, jets, tanks and all those related facilities.

But, when we think of power use by government even here in Wichita Falls, we tend to think about how Wichita County, Wichita Falls and the school district are affected by increases in energy prices.

The truth is that military installations have been hedging their bets.

The Air Force has just won the Green Power Leadership Award. It is presented annually by the EPA, the Department of Energy and the Center for Resource Solutions.

The awards are designed to recognize organizations that help advance development of the green-power market.

Two bases in particular were singled out for praise.

One is Dyess AFB in Abilene, and the other Fairchild AFB in Washington. Both receive 100 percent of their energy from renewable sources.

That's amazing. Few other organizations of any size can boast of such a feat.

But, Sheppard Air Force Base here is also doing its part.

A base spokesman said Sheppard now buys about 40 percent of its energy from renewable resources through its electricity provider. The present contract expires in 2007, and under the contract 40 percent is the maximum. However, the spokesman said Sheppard anticipates using the same percentage into the foreseeable future.

Maybe engineers here need to talk to the folks at Dyess.

That having been said, the Air Force is to be congratulated for the lead it's taking among the services and government in general.

The Air Force bases collectively bought more than 320 gigawatt hours of renewable energy certificates. That was 41 percent of all green power bought by the federal government - a remarkable record.

By comparison, the Army bought only a third of the gigawatt hours.

"The Air Force has been very aggressive in pursuing renewable energy because it makes economic sense," Jim Snook, Air Force renewable energy program manager, said in a news release. "Industry has

Times Record News

PAGE: Internet

DATE: 01 Nov 05



AETC News Clips

Sheppard AFB, Texas



News Clips are compiled for the AETC Commander and staff by AETC/PA. Copyright restrictions apply.

01 Nov 05

seen that the Air Force is committed to renewable energy, and they are bringing ideas and projects to us and making more renewable purchasing opportunities available."

Jerry Doddington, Air Force energy management team chief, noted that all the easy fixes to save energy were tried in the '70s, '80s and '90s. So, now the military has had to try to go high-tech. Thus, renewables are built into the overall energy strategy.

Wind power provides much of the renewable energy used by the Air Force, but biomass and ground source heat pumps are also being used.

This is not the first time that business and industry can look to military research and practice to spur their own interest in ways to solve problems.

And they should begin to do so. It's in their own self-interest, as well as that of the rest of the country.

Times Record News

PAGE: Internet

DATE: 01 Nov 05